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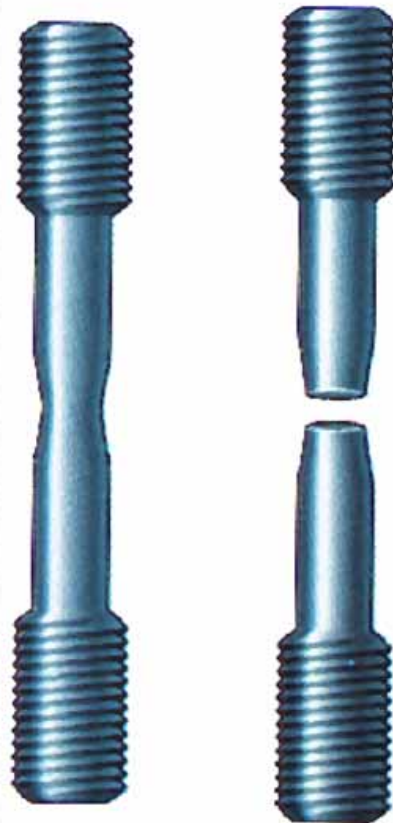
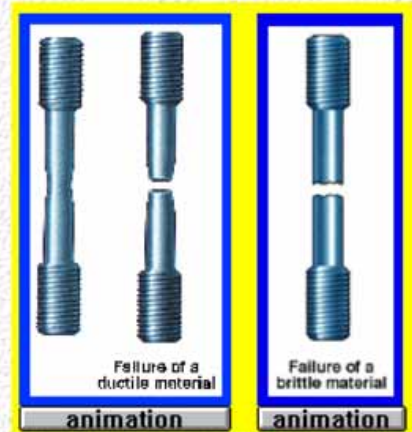
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Failure Theories

Definitions of Failure

Definition

Failure is any action leading to an inability of the structure (or its components) to function in the manner intended.



**Failure of
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Material**

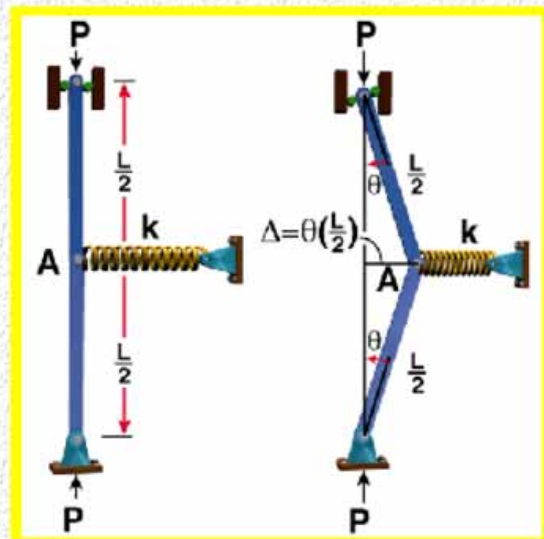


Failure of a brittle material

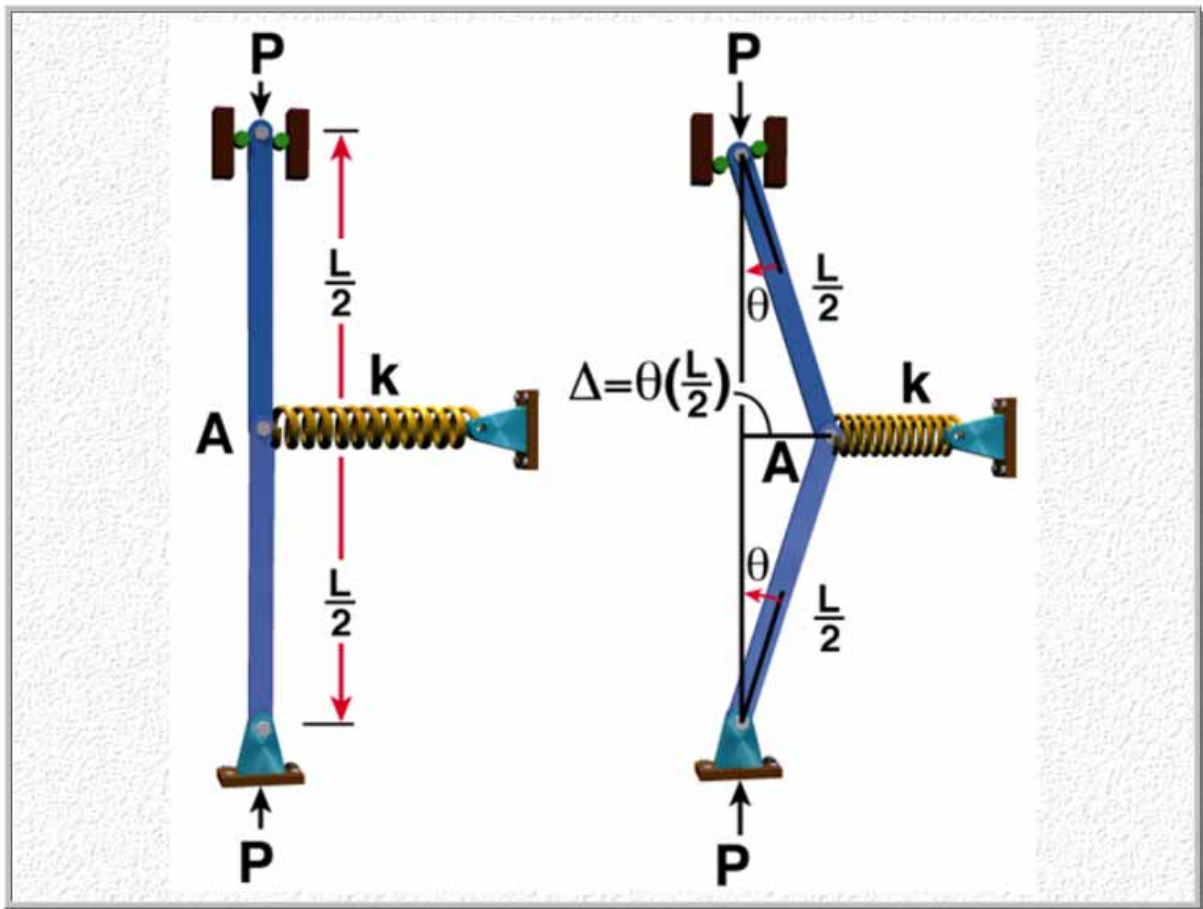
Types of Failure

Types (or Modes) of Failure

- Excessive elastic deformations
- Permanent deformation (or yielding)
- Fracture
 - Brittle (e.g., concrete, stone, glass)
 - Ductile (e.g., mild steel, aluminum, copper)
 - Progressive - fatigue
- Instability



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Factors Affecting Mode of Failure

Characteristics of structural member

- material
- geometry and shape

Loading

- loading configuration and rate
- surrounding media

Uniaxial versus Multiaxial (combined loading) cases

- For uniaxial stress (and loading) the onset of failure (by yielding or fracture) can be predicted from the stress-strain diagram.
- For multiaxial (combined loading) case, a response quantity (stress, strain or energy) associated with failure is chosen.
 - A maximum (or critical) value of the quantity is selected to predict the onset of failure
 - A uniaxial (or torsion) test is used to determine the maximum (or critical) value.

3.5 Yielding and Fracture Criteria for Multiaxial Stress State

3.5.1 Maximum Principal Stress Theory

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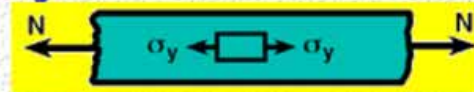
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Maximum Principal Stress Theory

Maximum Principal Stress Theory (Rankin's Theory)

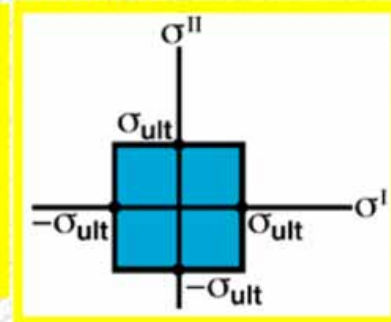
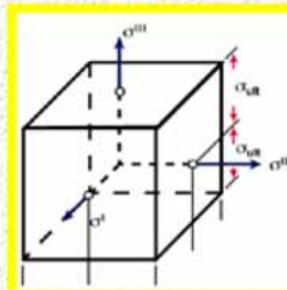


- Fracture is assumed to occur at a point when the maximum principal stress at that point reaches the ultimate stress in simple tension or compression, for the material.

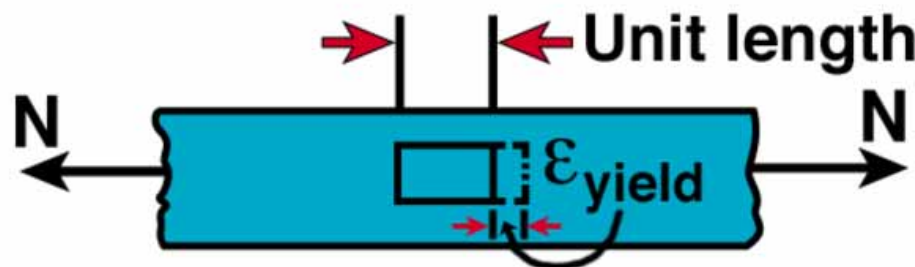
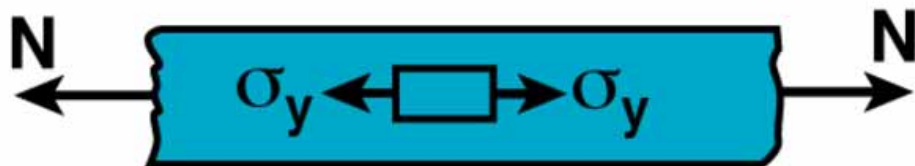
$$-\sigma_{ult.} \leq \sigma^I \leq \sigma_{ult.}$$

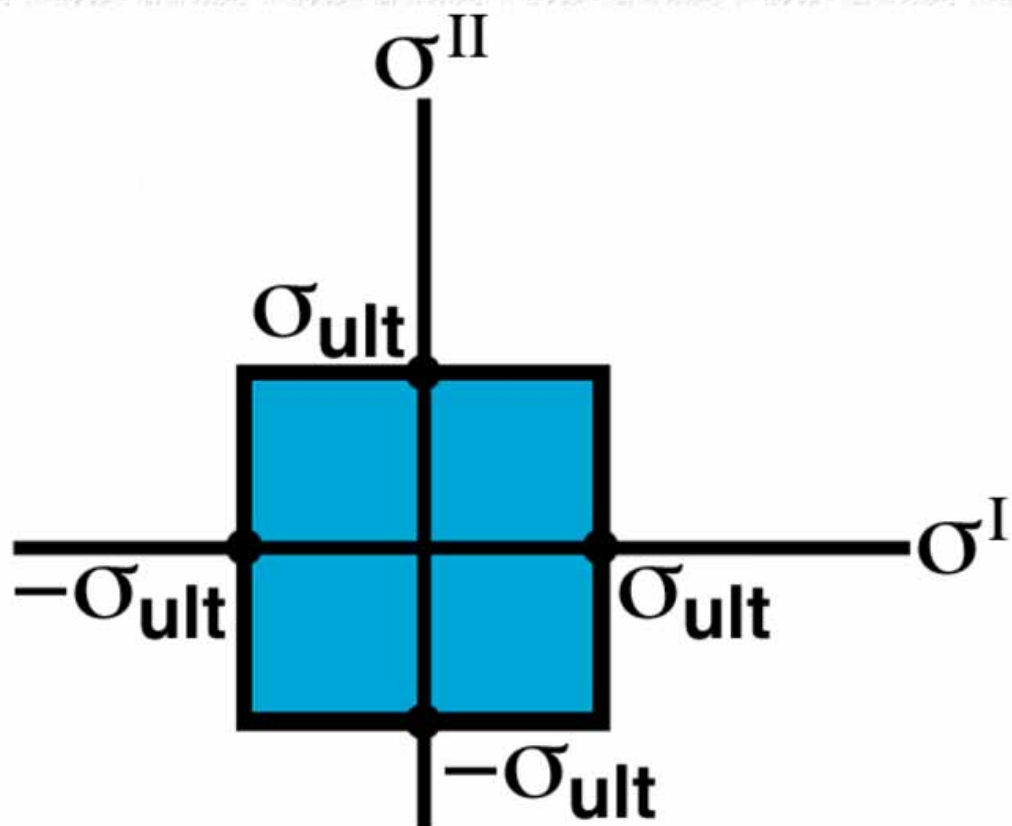
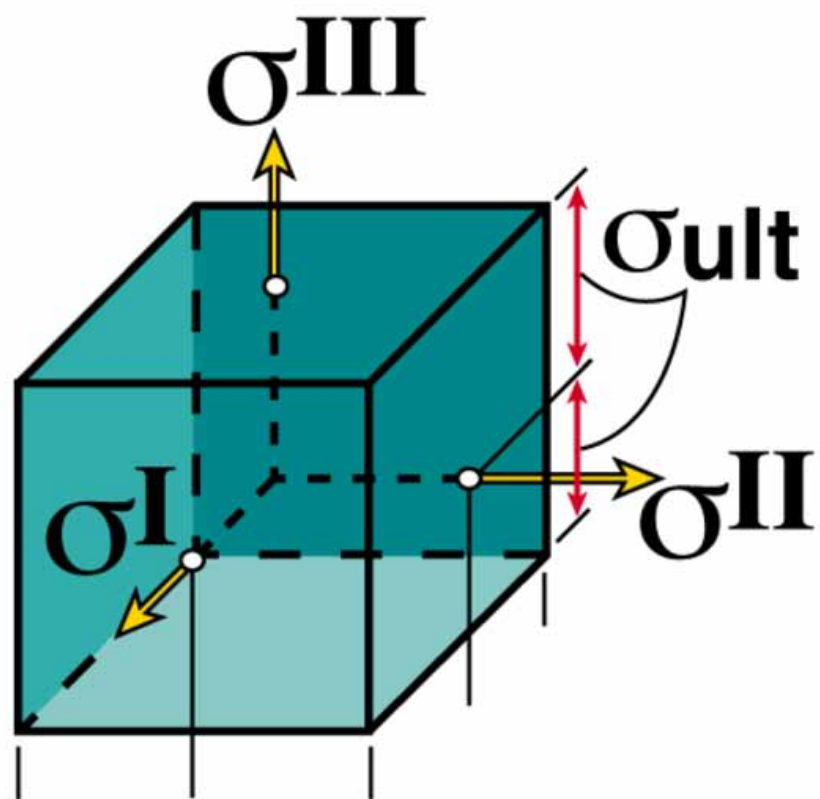
$$-\sigma_{ult.} \leq \sigma^{II} \leq \sigma_{ult.}$$

$$-\sigma_{ult.} \leq \sigma^{III} \leq \sigma_{ult.}$$



- The criterion is suitable for brittle materials.





Maximum Strain Theory

(St. Venant's Theory)

- Yielding is assumed to begin at a point when the maximum strain at that point reaches a value equal to that of the yield strain in a simple tension test.
- In terms of principal strains

$$\varepsilon_{\max} = \varepsilon^I = \frac{1}{E} (\sigma^I - \nu \sigma^{II} - \nu \sigma^{III})$$

- In uniaxial tension

$$\varepsilon_{\text{yield}} = \frac{1}{E} \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

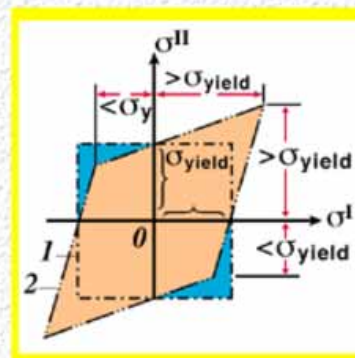
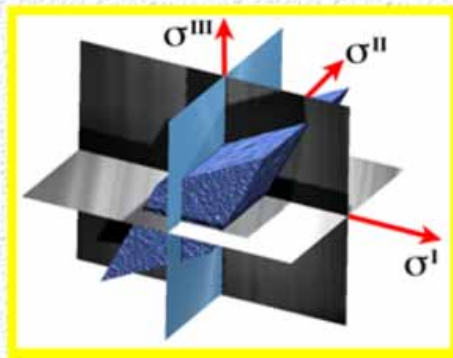


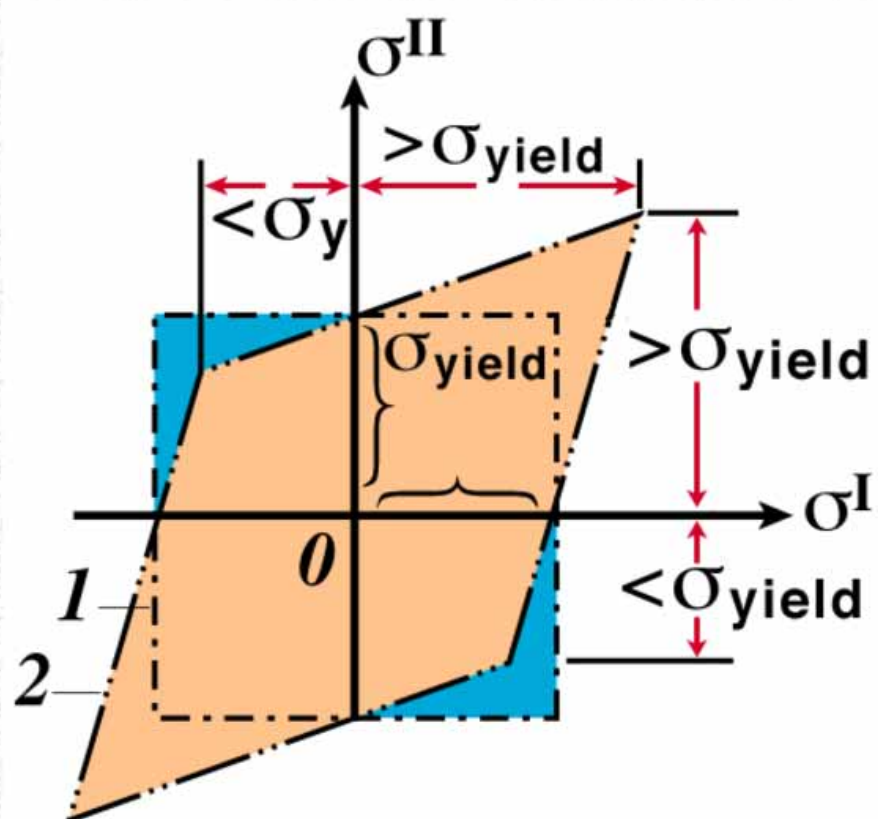
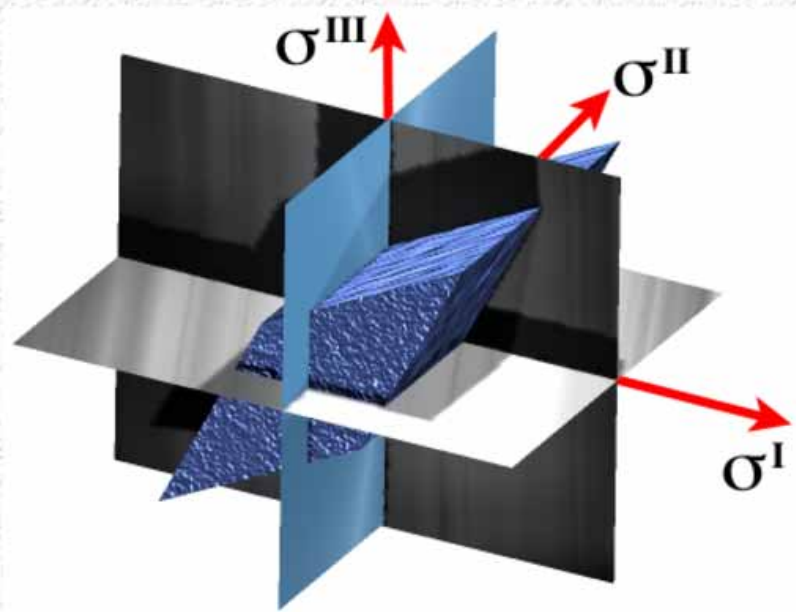
Maximum Strain Theory

- Two-dimensional stress state $\sigma^{III} = 0$

$$-\sigma_{\text{yield}} \leq \sigma^I - \nu \sigma^{II} \leq \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

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Maximum Strain Theory

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for

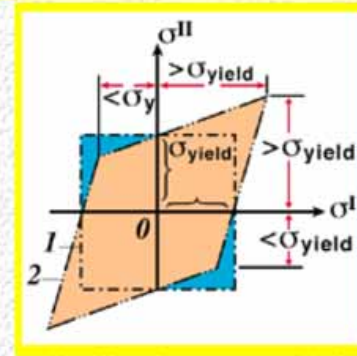
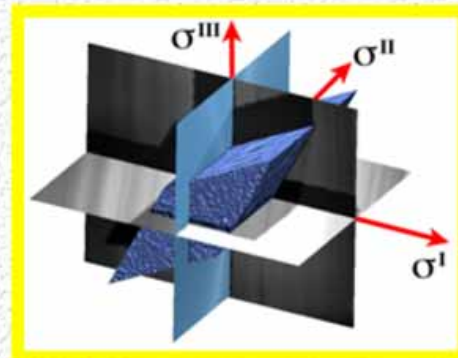
$$\sigma^I - \nu \sigma^{\text{II}} = \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

$$\sigma^I = \sigma_{\text{yield}} + \nu \sigma^{\text{II}}$$

for

$$\sigma^I - \nu \sigma^{\text{II}} = -\sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

$$\sigma^I = -\sigma_{\text{yield}} + \nu \sigma^{\text{II}}$$



Maximum Strain Theory

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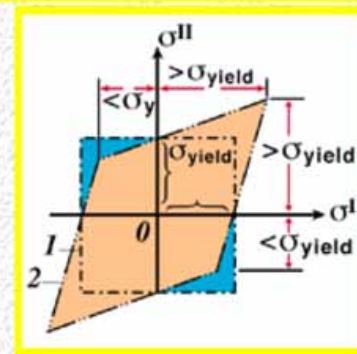
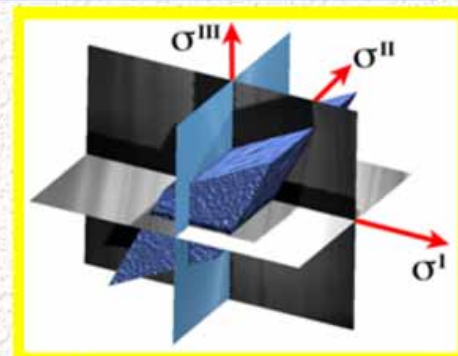
for

$$\sigma^I - \nu \sigma^{\text{II}} = -\sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

$$\sigma^I = -\sigma_{\text{yield}} + \nu \sigma^{\text{II}}$$

with similar equations for

$$\sigma^{\text{II}} - \nu \sigma^I = \pm \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

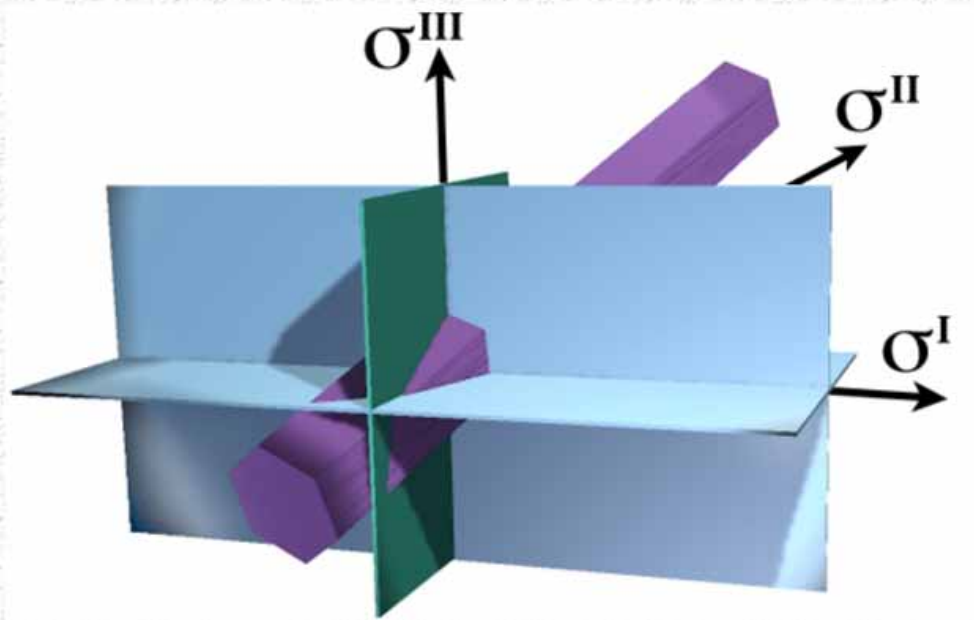
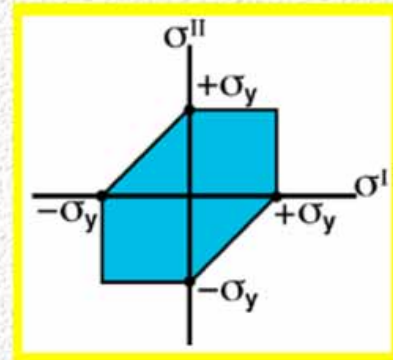
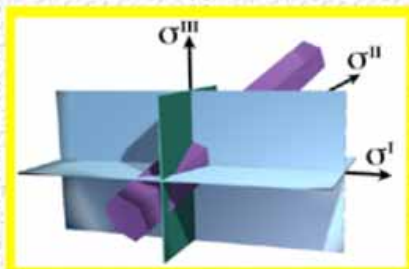


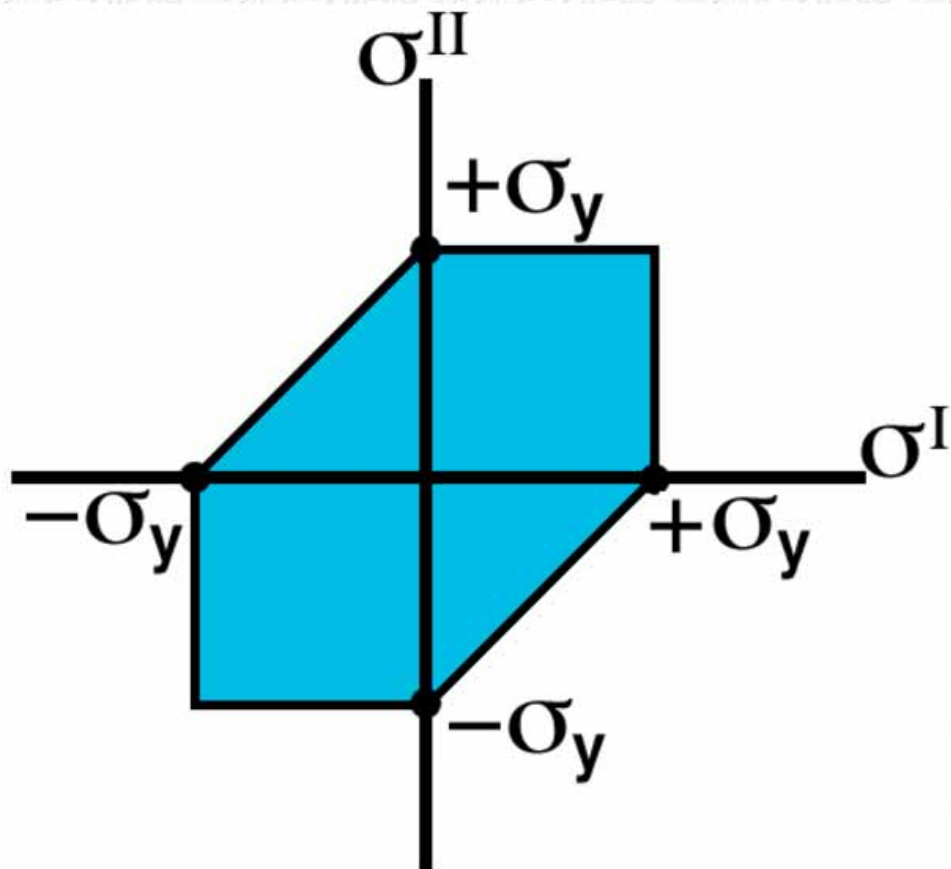
Maximum Shear Stress Theory

(Coulomb's, Tresca's or Guest's Theory)

- Yielding is assumed to begin at a point when the maximum shear stress at that point equals the shear stress at the yield point in a simple tension test.
- In terms of principal stresses

$$\tau_{\max} = \tau_{III,I} = \frac{1}{2} |\sigma_{III} - \sigma_I|$$





Maximum Shear Stress Theory

- In uniaxial tension

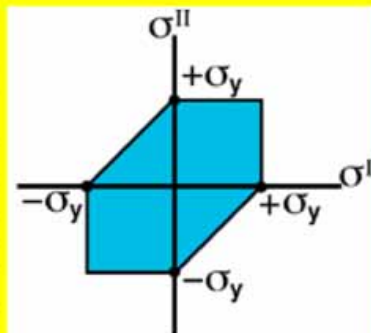
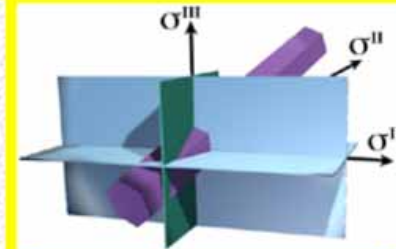
$$\sigma^{\text{II}} = \sigma^{\text{III}} = 0$$

$$\tau_{\text{max}} = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

- At the onset of yielding

$$|\sigma^{\text{I}} - \sigma^{\text{III}}| = \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

- The criterion is suitable for ductile materials.



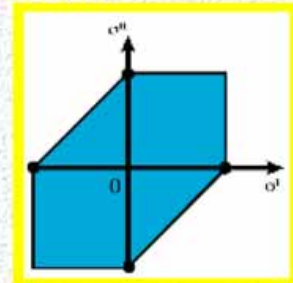
Maximum Shear Stress Theory

- Two-dimensional stress state $\sigma^{III} = 0$
 - if σ^I and σ^{II} have the same sign, then

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma^I - \sigma^{III})$$

or

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma^{II} - \sigma^{III})$$

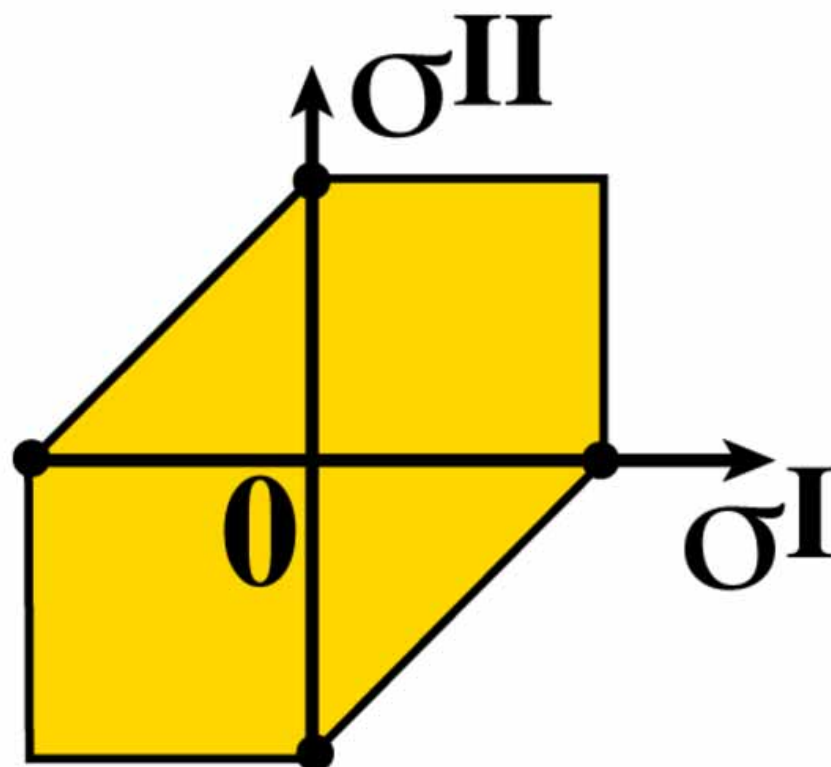
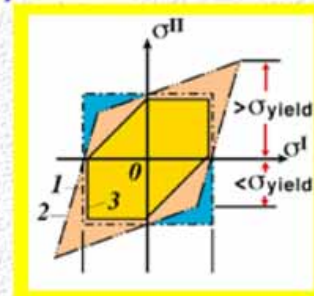


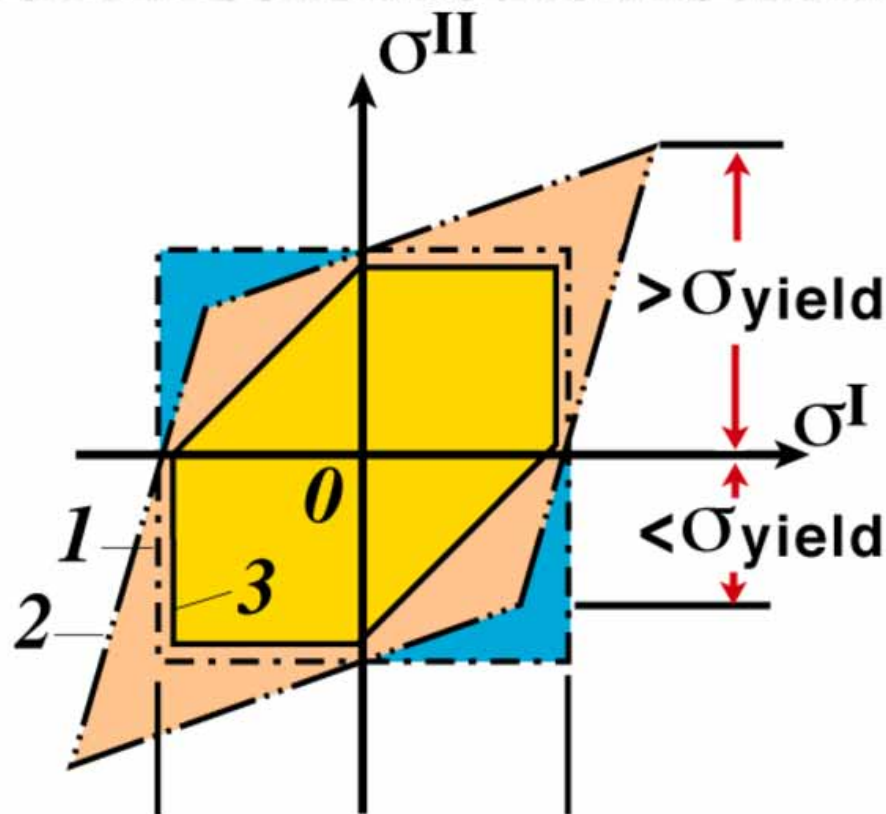
- if σ^I and σ^{II} have opposite signs, then

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma^I - \sigma^{II})$$

or

$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma^{II} - \sigma^I)$$





Maximum Total Strain Energy Theory

(Beltrami and Haigh's Theory)

- Yielding is assumed to begin at a point when the total strain energy density at that point reaches a value equal to the strain energy density in uniaxial tension (or compression).
- In terms of principal stresses, the total strain energy density

$$U = \frac{1}{2E} [(\sigma^I)^2 + (\sigma^{II})^2 + (\sigma^{III})^2 - 2\nu(\sigma^I\sigma^{II} + \sigma^{II}\sigma^{III} + \sigma^{III}\sigma^I)]$$

- In uniaxial tension

Maximum Total Strain Energy Theory

- In terms of principal stresses, the total strain energy density

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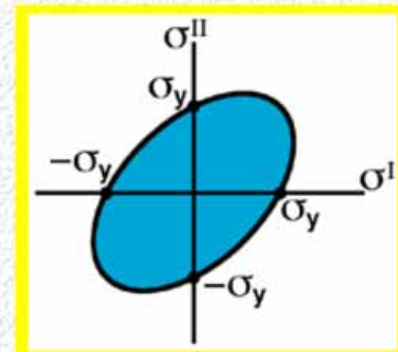
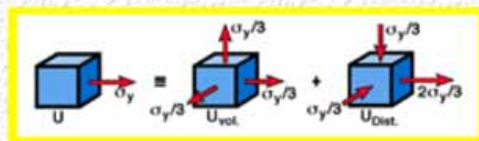
- In uniaxial tension

$$U = \frac{1}{2E} (\sigma_{\text{yield}})^2$$

Maximum Energy of Distortion Theory

(Von Mises, Huber, Hencky Theory)

- Yielding is assumed to begin at a point when the distortional energy density (strain energy density associated with the change in shape - in terms of the deviatoric stresses and strains) at that point reaches a value equal to the distortional strain energy at yield in uniaxial tension (or compression).
- In terms of principal stresses



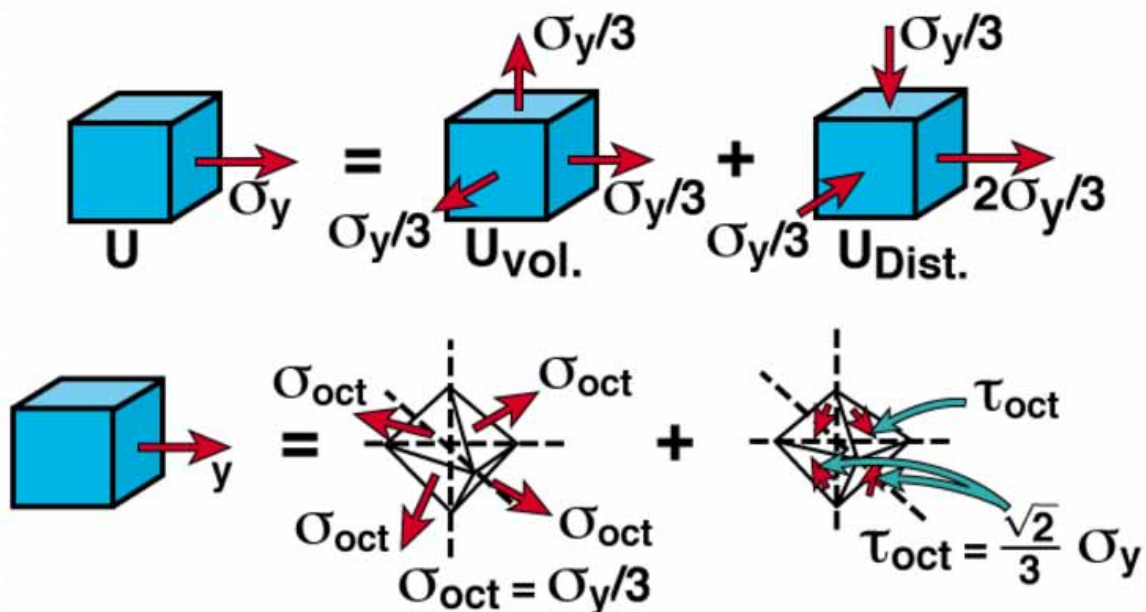
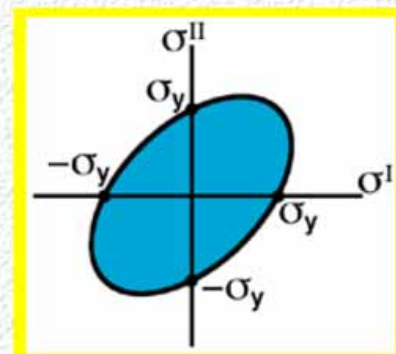
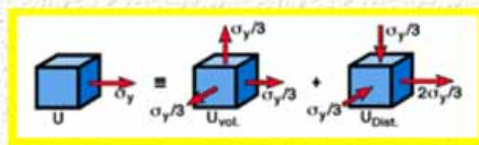
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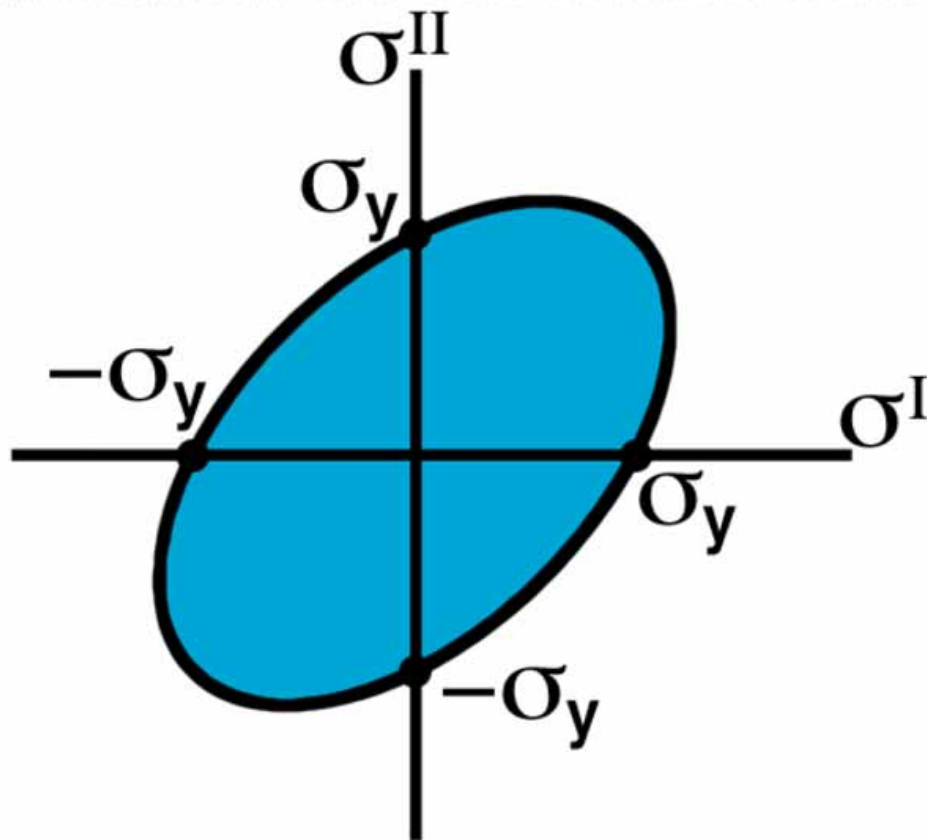
- In terms of principal stresses

$$U_{\text{dist.}} = \frac{1}{12G} [(\sigma^I - \sigma^{II})^2 + (\sigma^{II} - \sigma^{III})^2 + (\sigma^{III} - \sigma^I)^2]$$

- Yielding begins when

$$U_{\text{dist.}} = \frac{1}{6G} (\sigma_{\text{yield}})^2$$





Maximum Energy of Distortion Theory

- Two-dimensional state of stress, $\sigma^{III} = 0$

$$(\sigma^I)^2 - \sigma^I \sigma^{II} + (\sigma^{II})^2 = (\sigma_{\text{yield}})^2$$

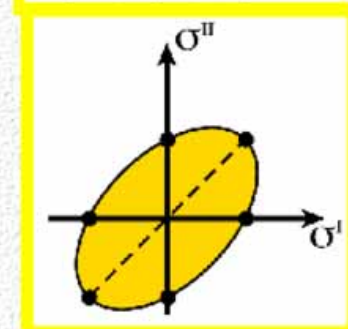
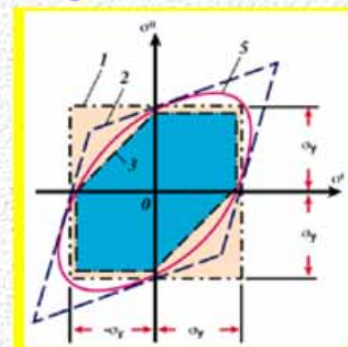
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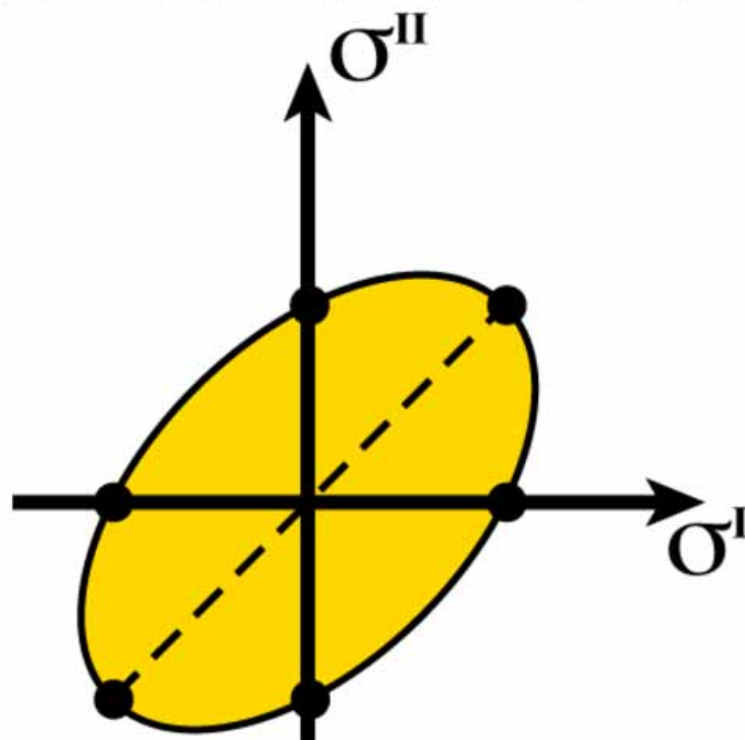
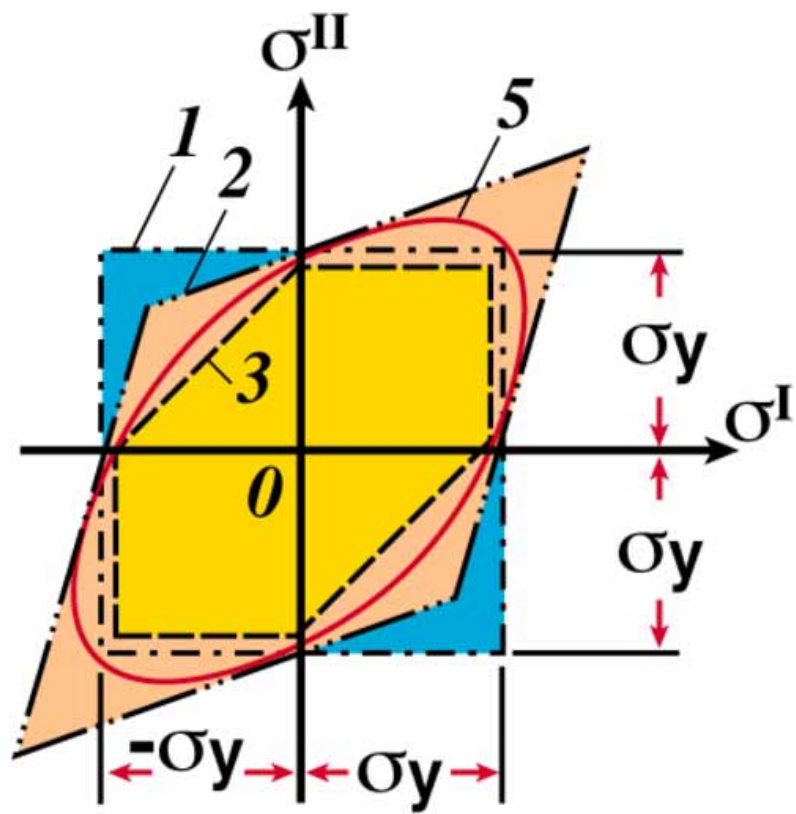
$$(\sigma_e)^2 = (\sigma_{\text{yield}})^2$$

where

$$\sigma_e = \left[(\sigma^I)^2 - \sigma^I \sigma^{II} + (\sigma^{II})^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

= effective (or von-Mises) stress

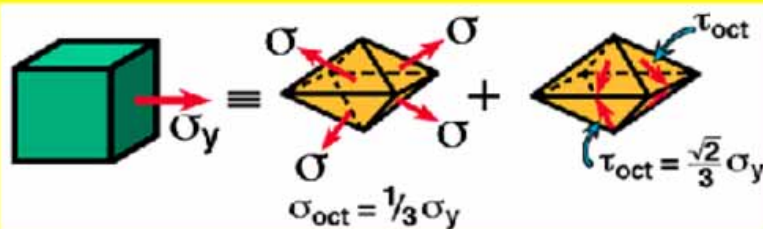




Maximum Octahedral Shear Stress Theory

- Yielding is assumed to begin at a point when the shearing stresses on the octahedral planes at the point reach a value equal to the octahedral shearing stress in uniaxial tension (or compression).
- In terms of principal stresses

$$(\tau_{\text{oct.}})^2 = \frac{1}{9} \left[(\sigma^I - \sigma^{II})^2 + (\sigma^{II} - \sigma^{III})^2 + (\sigma^{III} - \sigma^I)^2 \right] = \frac{2}{3} \frac{E}{1 + \nu} U_{\text{dist.}}$$



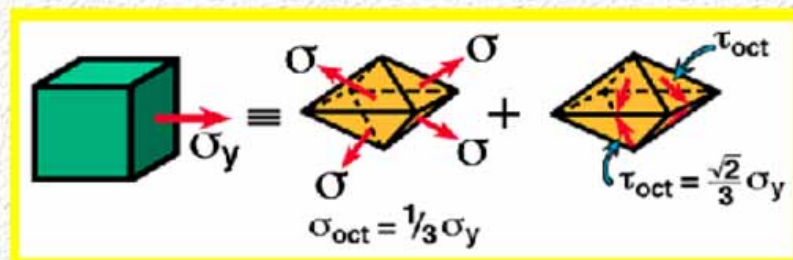
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- Yielding begins when

$$\tau_{\text{oct.}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$



Maximum Octahedral Shear Stress Theory

- Two-dimensional case, $\sigma^{III} = 0$

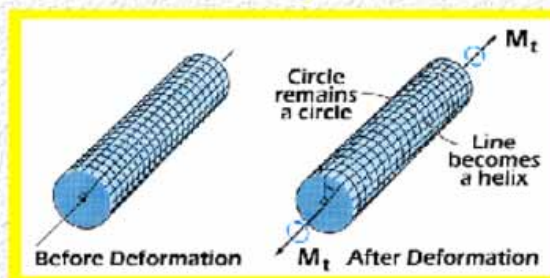
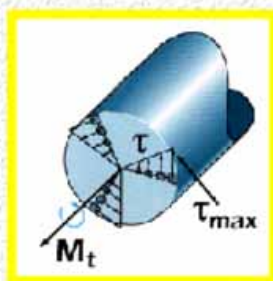
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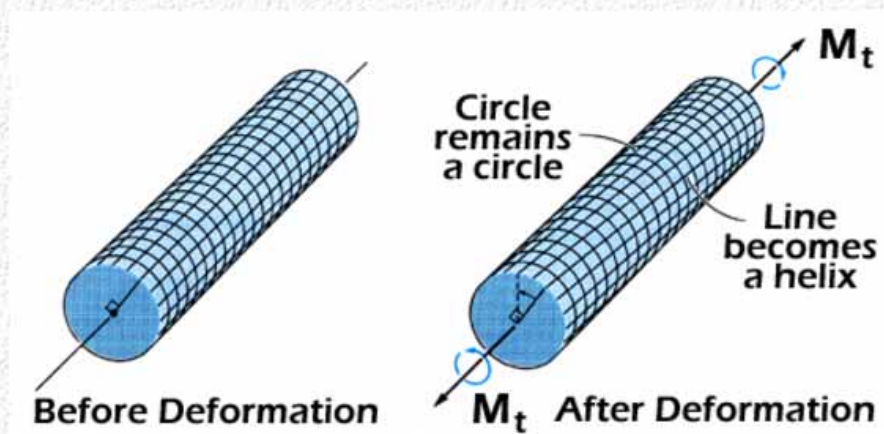
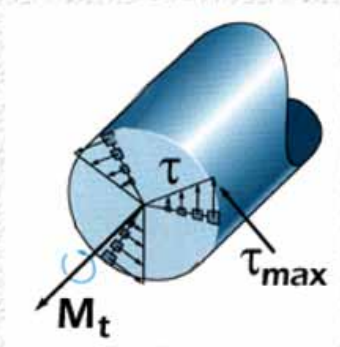
same as the maximum energy of distortion theory

- For the torsion test
 - Maximum shear stress theory

$$\tau_{\text{max}} = \frac{M_t r}{I_p}$$

$$= \tau_{\text{yield}}$$





Maximum Octahedral Shear Stress Theory

- Maximum energy of distortion

$$U_{\text{dist.}} = \frac{1}{2G} (\tau_{\text{yield}})^2$$

$$= \frac{(1 + \nu)}{E} (\tau_{\text{yield}})^2$$

- Maximum octahedral shear stress

$$\tau_{\text{oct.}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \tau_{\text{yield}}$$

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- Normal Stresses

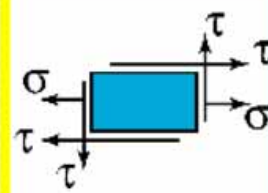
$$\sigma = \frac{N}{A}, \quad A = \frac{\pi d^2}{4}$$

uniformly distributed over the cross section.

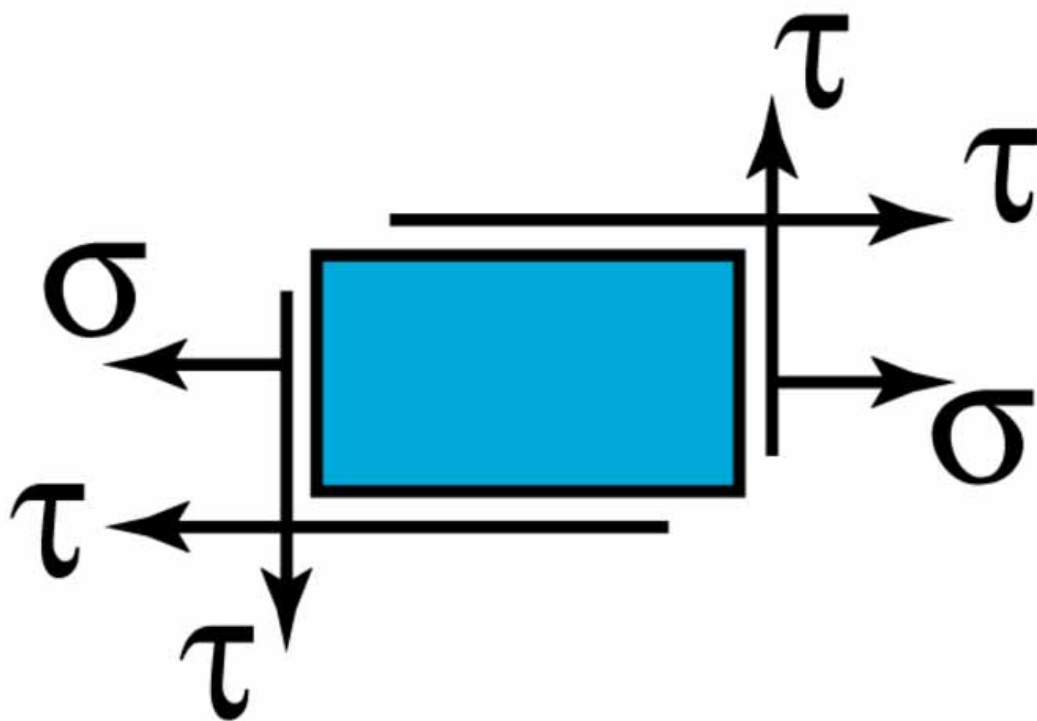
- Torsional Shear Stresses

$$\tau_{\text{max}} = \frac{M_t r}{I_p},$$

$$\tau_{\text{max}} = \frac{16 M_t}{\pi d^3}$$



Shear stresses are maximum at the perimeter of the cross section.



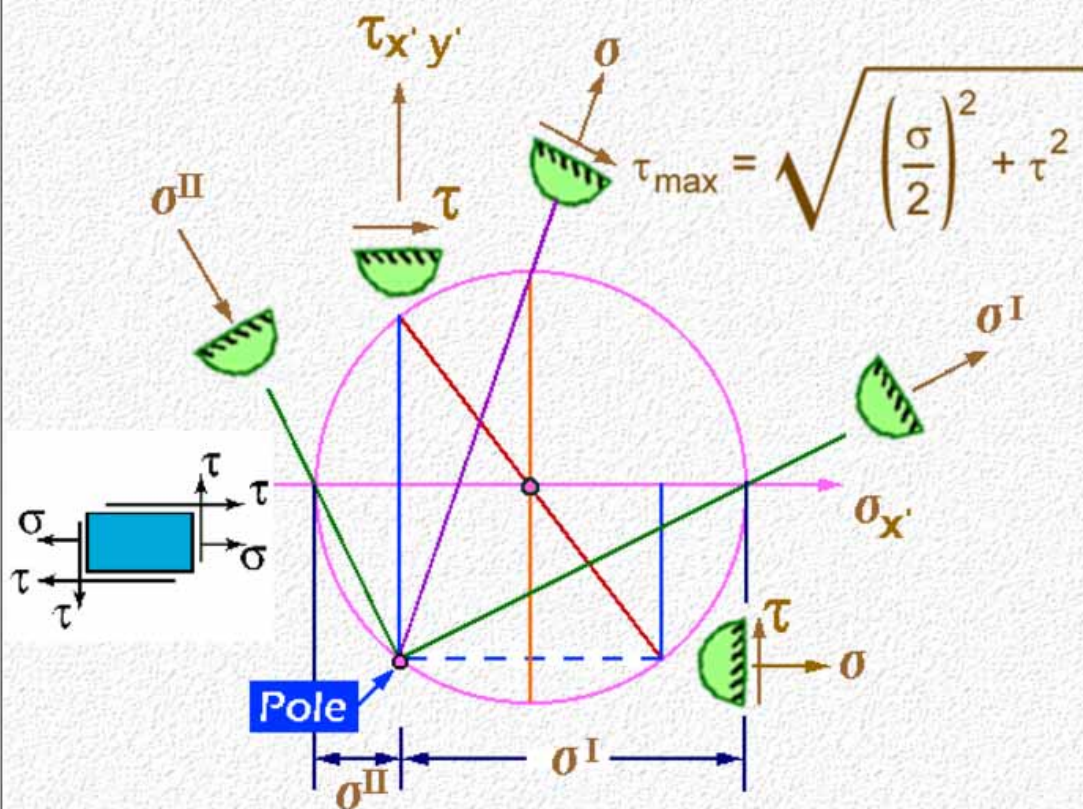
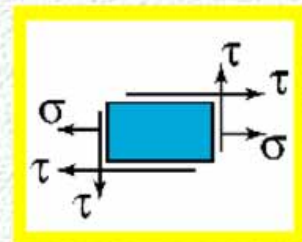
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- Maximum Principal Stresses

Occur at the perimeter of the cross section.

Stress Matrix

$$[\sigma] = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma & \tau & . \\ \tau & . & . \\ . & . & . \end{bmatrix}$$



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- Principal Stresses

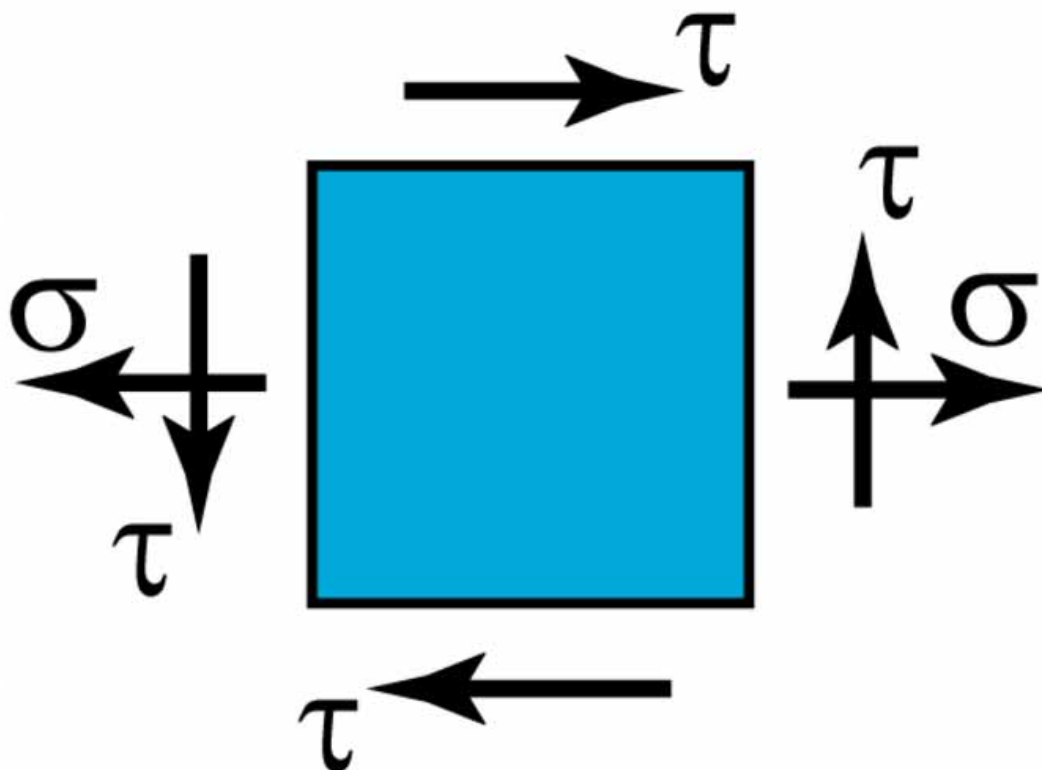
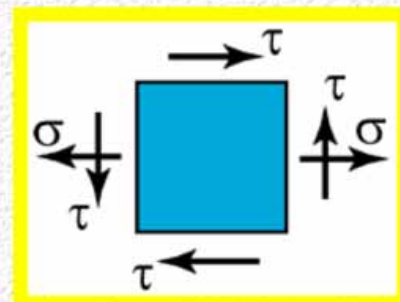
$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma^I \\ \sigma^{II} \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{\sigma}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2}$$

$$\sigma^{III} = 0$$

- Maximum Shear Stress

$$\tau_{\max} = \pm \frac{1}{2} (\sigma^I - \sigma^{II})$$

$$= \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2}$$



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uniaxial stress state

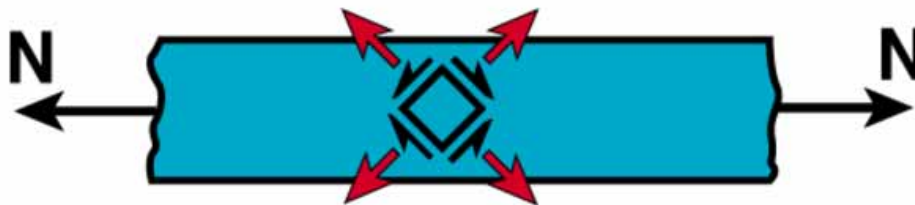
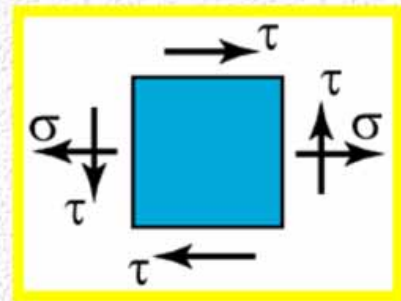
$$\tau_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

Therefore,

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right)^2 + \tau^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

or,

$$\sigma^2 + 4\tau^2 = (\sigma_{\text{yield}})^2$$



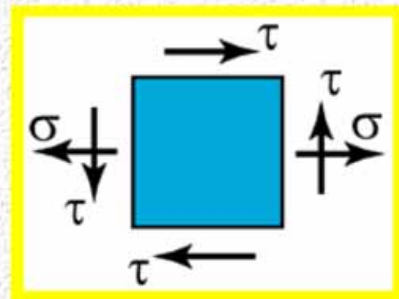
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- Volumetric and Deviatoric Stress Components

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma & \tau & . \\ \tau & . & . \\ . & . & . \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sigma}{3} & . & . \\ . & \frac{\sigma}{3} & . \\ . & . & \frac{\sigma}{3} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3}\sigma & \tau & . \\ \tau & -\frac{\sigma}{3} & . \\ . & . & -\frac{\sigma}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Strain Energy Densities

$$U_{\text{tot}} = \frac{\sigma^2}{2E} + \frac{\tau^2}{2G}$$



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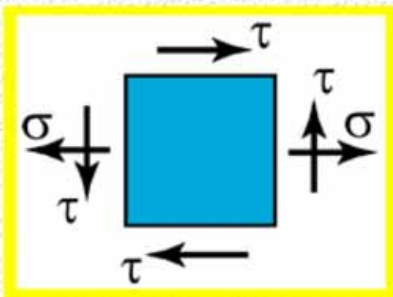
$$U_{\text{vol}} = \frac{3}{2} \sigma_{\text{vol}} \times \epsilon_{\text{vol}}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \frac{\sigma}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{(1-2\nu)}{E} \frac{\sigma}{3} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{(1-2\nu)}{6E} \sigma^2 \right)$$

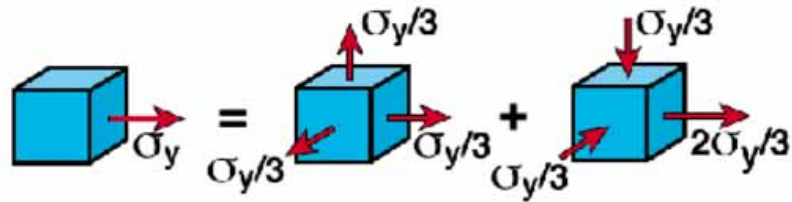
$$U_{\text{dist}} = U_{\text{tot}} - U_{\text{vol}}$$

$$= \frac{1+\nu}{3E} (\sigma^2 + 3\tau^2)$$



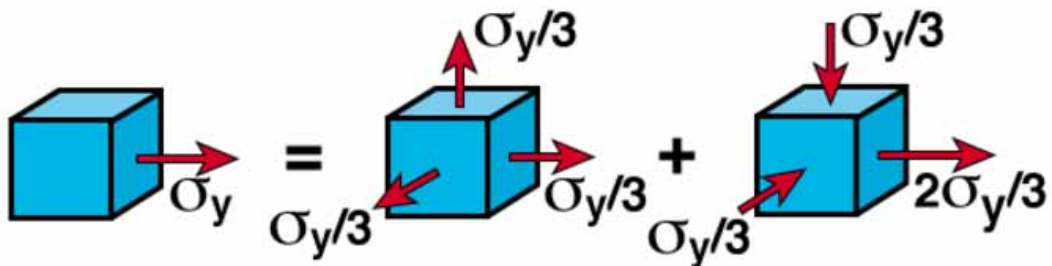
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For uniaxial stress state

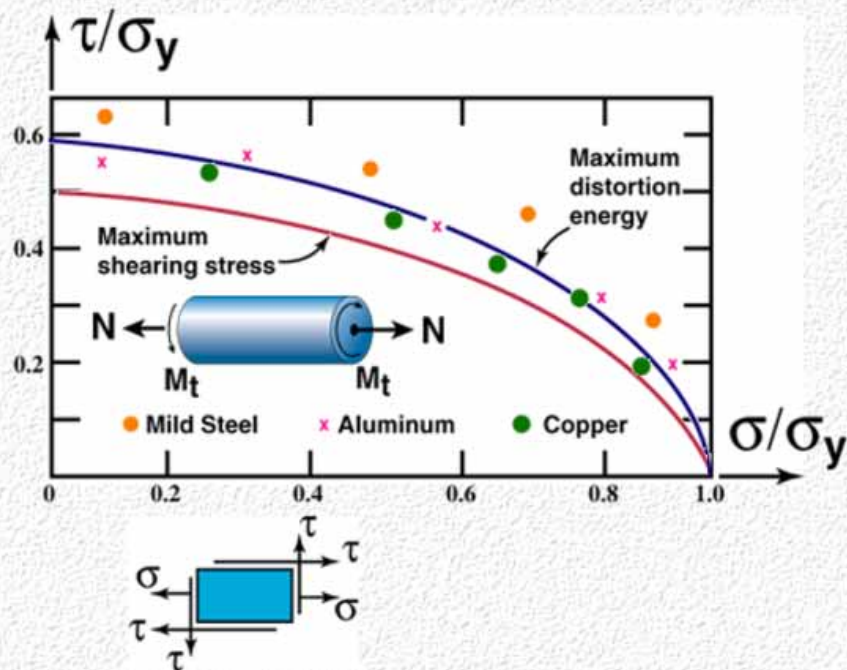


$$U_{\text{dist}} = \frac{1+\nu}{3E} (\sigma_{\text{yield}})^2$$

$$\sigma^2 + 3\tau^2 = (\sigma_{\text{yield}})^2$$



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Application of Failure Theories to Design

- A margin of safety is introduced in the design.
- Factor of safety, f , is the ratio of the failure load to the design load.
- Stresses are assumed to be proportional to the loads. Therefore,

$$f = \frac{\text{failure stress}}{\text{design stress}}$$

Application of Failure Theories to Design

- Maximum principal stress theory

$$\sigma_{\text{design}} = \frac{1}{f} \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

- Maximum strain theory

$$\varepsilon_{\text{design}} = \frac{1}{f} \frac{\sigma_{\text{yield}}}{E}$$

Application of Failure Theories to Design

- Maximum shear stress theory

Tension test

$$\tau_{\text{design}} = \frac{1}{2f} \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

Torsion test

$$\tau_{\text{design}} = \frac{1}{f} \sigma_{\text{yield}}$$

Application of Failure Theories to Design

- Maximum total strain energy theory

$$U_{\text{design}} = \frac{1}{2E} \left(\frac{\sigma_{\text{yield}}}{f} \right)^2$$

Application of Failure Theories to Design

- Maximum energy of distortion theory

Tension test

$$U_{\text{dist.}}|_{\text{design}} = \frac{1}{6G} \left(\frac{\sigma_{\text{yield}}}{f} \right)^2$$

Torsion test

$$U_{\text{dist.}}|_{\text{design}} = \frac{1}{2G} \left(\frac{\tau_{\text{yield}}}{f} \right)^2$$

Application of Failure Theories to Design

- Maximum octahedral shear stress theory
Tension test

$$\tau_{\text{oct.}}|_{\text{design}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \frac{\sigma_{\text{yield}}}{f}$$

Torsion test

$$\tau_{\text{oct.}}|_{\text{design}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\tau_{\text{yield}}}{f}$$